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Bylaw Amendments

Proposed changes to AEU Bylaws

At the 2018 Assembly, some Societies had trouble fulfilling the requirements given in the AEU Bylaws for who could serve as a primary delegate, calling into question the validity of the Society's delegation. Some Societies may also occasionally have no members available to attend an Assembly. The AEU Board proposes that the structure of its delegation be left up to the individual member organization.

You will be asked to vote on the following change to Article II (text to be removed is struck out):

Section 2. Composition. The Assembly shall be composed of:

- a) Delegates chosen by the member organizations, ~~provided that each Society or Fellowship's President shall serve as that group's primary delegate to the annual Assembly, although a President may designate another Board member or officer from their Society to attend the Assembly in their place;~~
- b) all certified Leaders;
- c) all members of the Board; and
- d) all past presidents of the AEU.

And also on the following change to Article II (text to be added is in bold):

Section 7. Voting Rights.

- a) Societies and Fellowships. Each Society and Fellowship shall be entitled to one (1) vote plus one (1) additional vote for each 50 individual members or fraction thereof (provided such fraction consists of at least 10 members). Each Society and Fellowship shall vote through delegates appointed by it from among its members and shall be entitled to one (1) delegate for each vote it may cast pursuant hereto. **In the absence of available members, a Society or Fellowship may instead appoint delegates who are members of a different Society or Fellowship.** Each Society and Fellowship may apportion among its delegates the total number of votes to which it is entitled.